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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG, UK

SUBJECT: NORTH SEA OIL PARTICIPATION

REF: LONDON 14773

DEAN TELLS US ESSO AND SHELL HAD PRODUCTIVE MEETING WITH
BENN AND KEARTON FRIDAY AND HE THINKS NEGOTIATIONS ARE
MOVING IN THE DIRECTION OF SOMETHING ESSO CAN LIVE WITH.
EFFORT WILL NOW BE MADE TO AGREE ON LETTER OF INTENT
SO THE PARTIES CAN SAY PUBLICLY BY OCTOBER 4 THAT THEY
HAVE AGREED IN PRINCIPLE. BRITISH DRAFT OF LETTER WILL
BE WORKED ON AT LOWER LEVELS IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS TO
TRY TO WORK OUT PROBLEMS IT PRESENTS FOR ESSO/SHELL.

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